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## The Alumni Orator.

It will be highly gratifying to this community to learn that the Alumni Orator before the S. W. P. University for this year will be delivered by H. M. Doug, Esq., of Nashville, late editor of the American, and now of the Nashville Banner. Mr. Doug has won for himself an enviable reputation as a writer, and it may be safely said that no man in the State has contributed more to elevate the tone of journalism and give it that dignity which characterizes an enlightened press. His consent to perform this service for the Alumni Association of the University gives universal satisfaction, and in connection with the oration, of Mr. Doug, will be the oration of the preceding Sabbath, by Dr. Markham and Mr. Witherspoon, with other University exercises, will serve to give to this Commemorative occasion extraordinary interest. It is to be hoped that large and appreciative audiences will greet the various speakers by their attendance. The programme of exercises will be found in another column.

## Programme of Examination of the Public Schools.

Monday, 29-30th, 7th, 6th, 5th, 4th grades, grammar; 3d grade, geography.

Tuesday, 31-30th, 7th, 6th, 5th, 4th and 3d grades, arithmetic.

Wednesday, 31-30th grade, philosophy; 7th grade, history of the United States; 6th, 5th, 4th, grades, geography; 3d grade music and spelling.

Thursday, June 1-8th, 7th, 6th, 5th, 4th, 3rd, 2nd and 1st grades, reading.

Friday, 2nd-8th, 7th, 6th, 5th, 4th, 3d, 2d, and 1st grades, reading.

Monday, 5th-8th, 7th, 6th, 5th, 4th, 2d and 1st grades, spelling and music.

Tuesday, 6-8th grade history of England; 2nd and 1st grades arithmetic.

Wednesday and Thursday, 7th and 8th, from 8 to 12 o'clock, a. m.; closing exercises.

Friday, 2-Superintendent reads names of pupils promoted.

Promotion depends on the scholarship average alone-the required per cent, being 65. In making up the scholarship average, each one of the following studies counts 1:- arithmetic, writing, reading, spelling, geography, grammar, history, natural philosophy, book-keeping and algebra. Music, drawing, elocution, map-drawing and composition, 1. All examinations are written.

The faculty would be pleased to have parents present during one or all the examinations, that they can see how the examinations are conducted. The attendance of parents and guardians is earnestly desired.

Our citizens are warned against a negro boy who several times during the last week has appeared at the houses of some of our citizens and informed the lady of the house that her husband had sent him around to get \$3.00 to pay a small bill, not happening to have that amount of change in his pocket at the time. We know of two instances where this colored confidence operator attempted this dodge, but in both instances his little game failed. However, some too credulous persons might be taken in and so we give the warning. If you send that \$3.00 the bearer will in all probability fail to hand it over to your loving hubby.

Our citizens generally, and Methodists in particular, will be pleased to learn that the Rev. Jno. P. McFerrin has been appointed Presiding Elder of this District in place of Rev. Dr. R. K. Hargrove, recently made Bishop by the General Conference. Mr. McFerrin is stationed here a few years ago, and was many warm friends and ardent admirers not only by his eloquent preaching and devoted Christian labors, but also by his genial character and grace of manner. The Clarksville District is to be congratulated on the appointment.

Mr. J. C. MUMFORD, living in Todd county, Ky., about half way between Trenton and Hadenville, had the misfortune to lose a large two story frame dwelling house by fire on last Tuesday morning, a short time before day. The house, together with the entire contents, consisting of household furniture, bedding, silver and tableware and everything else it contained, was entirely consumed. Mr. Mumford was absent from home at the time and does not know the origin of the fire, but it is supposed to have originated from a defective flue. He estimates his loss at about \$3,000, partly covered by insurance.

By a reference to our candidates' column, it will be seen that Mr. R. H. Pickering is announced as a candidate for election to the office of Trustee, of Montgomery county.

Mr. Pickering is too well known to the good people of Clarksville and this county to need any special notice from us. He once held this responsible office for this county and made a most excellent Trustee, discharging the duties with energy, fidelity and efficiency. If elected the duties of the office could not be entrusted to a better man.

At Cooke's jewelry store may be seen a beautiful gold badge, consisting of rifles and cap, tastefully arranged in a unique design, which is to be presented as a prize to the best drilled soldier in the Clarksville City Guards, to be decided by a competitive drill of the company at the 14th of June. The bona militaria, who wins this prize, may well wear it with a conscious pride, for it is indeed a rare and beautiful medal.

DANIEL BYERS, a colored tenant on the Marr farm, has quite a number of fine hills of tobacco grown from stalks, which owing to the winter weather, did not die during the winter; several of these are in bloom and Uncle Daniel proposes to save the seed, which he claims will make what is called "One sucker tobacco." This is rather an unusual occurrence in this latitude.

A NEW-PAPER man, who was out hunting a few days since, in passing through the old Beaumont farm saw a lot of hands at work thinning out corn, when they came to a missing hill would take a couple of stalks of corn and transplant them as they would tobacco. Whether the corn will live or whether Burns Peterson has a patent on this mode of replanting, this depends on the weather.

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